

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q88805

Francoise SOUSSALINE, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/540,516

Group Art Unit: 1797

Confirmation No.: 2747

Examiner: Patricia Kathryn WRIGHT

Filed: May 15, 2006

For: CHIP READER FOR BIOCHIPS AND ASSOCIATED METHODS

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Election of Species Requirements, dated February 25, 2009.

In response to the Examiner's Requirements, Applicants elect the following species for prosecution:

1. For the species of Group (a), *i.e.*, a species of excitation means, Applicants elect **species (v.)**, wherein the excitation means comprises a laser whose radiations follow the same optical path due to a swinging mirror and a lamp.

2. For the species of Group (b), *i.e.*, a species of reading means, Applicants elect **species (ii)**, wherein the reading means comprises a processing means connected to the temperature control.

Claims 1, 12-14 and 20-26 read on the elected species.

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Applicants submit that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more Divisional Applications directed to non-elected subject matter.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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